

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
AGENDA NO. 14-01-14**

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For Work Week Commencing: January 13, 2014  
Commission Meeting: January 14, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

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**9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling** (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

**9:30 a.m. Business** (Bollinger Room)

**Public Comments**

**Action Items** All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of January 6, 2014

2. Out-of-state travel (Justin)

Staff requests approval of the request of Tina Shorten to travel to Washington, DC, February 8 - 12, 2014, to attend the NARUC Winter Committee Meetings for the purpose of participating in the Consumer Affairs meetings. Probable Motion: Move to approve the travel request.

3. VENHAUS & SONS T-13.30.ST (Brenda)

On November 22, 2013 Jeff Venhaus & Char Schultz Venhaus d/b/a Venhaus & Sons, Ekalaka Montana filed an application for transfer of PSC 2938 to Ethan Lindell & Drake Burch d/b/a E&D's Garbage Service, Ekalaka. The transfer was noticed to the public on December 9, 2013 and no protests were received. Proposed Motion: Approve the transfer of PSC 2938 as applied for.

Class D - Garbage and refuse in the City of Ekalaka, Montana, and between all points and places within a five mile radius of said city. Carrier is allowed to transport authorized commodities to certified landfills from territory authorized.

4. NORTHERN CHEYENNE BOARD OF HEALTH TN2598 (Brenda)

On January 3, 2014, Medical Transportation Services d/b/a Northern Cheyenne Board of Health, Lame Deer Montana requested permission to continue the lease of PSC No. 9413 to Lame Deer Health Center, Lame Deer, Montana for a twelve month period from January 5, 2014 to January 5, 2015. Proposed Motion: Approve the lease transfer of PSC No. 9413 as requested.

Class B – Medical patients of the Northern Cheyenne Board of Health between all points and places in Big Horn, Flathead, Jefferson, Glacier, Roosevelt, Rosebud and Yellowstone County. LIMITATIONS: (1) Transportation

must originate or terminate in Rosebud County. (2)  
Transportation in limousine vehicles is prohibited.

5. IRON EAGLE TRANSPORTATION LLC TN2599 (Nickie)

On January 2, 2014 Iron Eagle Transportation LLC, Kalispell, Montana requests permission to suspend PSC No. 9472 for six month period January 2, 2014 to June 2, 2014. Proposed Motion: Approve the suspension of PSC No. 9472 as requested.

Class B – Passengers between all points and places in Flathead County, Montana.

LIMITATION: Transportation in limousine service is prohibited.

6. KALISPELL TAXI AND AIRPORT SHUTTLE SERVICE TN2600 (Nickie)

On January 2, 2014 Dave Michael as personal representative for the James E. Michael estate, Flathead Area Custom Transportation, Inc. d/b/a Kalispell Taxi and Airport Shuttle Service, Kalispell, Montana requests that PSC No. 56 be leased to Kenneth John Landert Jr. d/b/a Kountry Transportation, Columbia Falls, Montana for a 6 month period January 14, 2014 to July 14, 2014. Proposed Motion: Approve the lease of PSC No. 56 for 6 month period as requested.

Class B - Persons, baggage and express within the City of Kalispell, Montana and between points and places tributary thereto, but not exceeding fifty (50) miles in any direction from said City of Kalispell.

SUB A Class B - Persons within the City of Kalispell, Montana, and to or from points tributary thereto, but within a distance not exceeding twenty-five (25) miles in any direction from said city.

SUB C Class B - Persons and hand luggage between all points and places within the town of Kalispell, Montana.

7. KALISPELL TAXI AND AIRPORT SHUTTLE SERVICE TN2601 (Nickie)

On January 2, 2014 Dave Michael as personal representative for the James E. Michael estate, Flathead Area Custom Transportation, Inc. d/b/a Kalispell

Taxi and Airport Shuttle Service, Kalispell, Montana requests that PSC No. 9364 be leased to Kenneth John Landert Jr. d/b/a Kountry Transportation, Columbia Falls, Montana for a 6 month period January 14, 2014 to July 14, 2014. Proposed Motion: Approve the lease of PSC No. 9364 for 6 month period as requested.

SUB B Class B - Passengers, baggage and express between all points and places in Lincoln and Sanders Counties. Limitations: Transportation of railway crews is prohibited. Transportation by limousine is prohibited. 2) Transportation by limousine is prohibited. 3) Transportation of passengers, baggage and express between points and places in Libby, Montana and a thirty (30) mile radius thereof is prohibited. 4) Transportation of passengers, baggage and express between points and places in Eureka, Montana and a thirty (30) mile radius thereof is prohibited.

SUB C Class B - Passengers, baggage and express between all points and places in Eureka, Montana and a thirty (30) mile radius thereof. Limitations: 1) Transportation of railway crews is prohibited. 2) Transportation by limousine is prohibited.

**Work Sessions** All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2008.1.6 and D2013.11.78 – CenturyLink – CenturyLink Motion to Stay and CenturyLink Waiver Petition – Act on identical Motions for Protective Order filed in both dockets. (1/14/14)

### **Other Meetings**

**1/16/14 9:00 a.m. – NorthWestern Energy information meeting re: DSIP status report, overview of NWE's organizational and employee development and compensation/benefit programs, and update on Dave Gates Generating Station (Bollinger Room)**

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

**Notice Items** All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. Project Telephone Company N2014.1.4 (Scott)

On December 30, 2013 Project Telephone Company filled revisions and additions to their Exchange and Network Service Tariff. The revision included Section IV with changes to the table of contents; changes in the rates for Call Waiting/Caller ID Name from \$7.00 to \$2.00 and Call Waiting/ Caller ID Number from \$5.00 to \$2.00; addition of these services to the list of Star\*Classic service; and defining both Call Waiting/Caller ID Name and Call Waiting/ Caller ID Number.

**Protective Orders – Notice Items** The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

1. NorthWestern Energy D2013.12.85 (Justin)

On January 10, 2013, NorthWestern Energy (NWE) will be filing a Motion for Protective Order requesting confidential treatment of estimates and projected information in Figure 29, page 52 of the Confidential Investment Memo that include details about PPL EnergyPlus' projected, future incremental prices and revenue, such as average peak prices for and streams of revenue from existing wholesale and retail contracts that NWE will not be acquiring as part of NWE's agreement to purchase the hydroelectric facilities of PPL Montana.

2. NorthWestern Energy D2013.12.85 (Jason)

On January 10, 2014, NorthWestern Corporation doing business as NorthWestern Energy (NorthWestern) will file a Motion for Protective Order to

protect as a trade secret certain information to be filed in this Docket. NorthWestern specifically seeks to protect the following categories of information used by PA Consulting Group (PA Consulting): (1) The information outputs of PA Consulting's analysis and modeling; (2) the information which serves as the premises for PA Consulting's analysis and modeling; (3) the market projections and expert statements and conclusions made by PA Consulting's energy market experts; and (4) information PA Consulting licenses from third parties and has agreed under license terms not publish.

**Protective Orders – Information Items** The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

1. NorthWestern Energy D2013.12.85 (Jason)

On December 17, 2013, the Montana Public Service Commission granted the Motion for Protective Order and Brief in Support of the Hydroelectric Generating Facilities' Critical Energy Infrastructure Information filed by NorthWestern Corporation on December 3, 2013. See Order 7323.

2. NorthWestern Energy D2013.12.85 (Jason)

On January 7, 2014, the Montana Public Service Commission granted the *Motion for Protective Order and Brief in Support of Non-public Projections* filed by NorthWestern Corporation on December 20, 2013. See Order 7323a.

**Information Items** All items identified below are for information only.

### **New Filings Received in Past Week**

N2014.1.1 – PSC Initiated - 2014 Annual Line Moving Charges – Compliance Filings

N2014.1.2 – PSC Initiated - 2014 Montana ETC Lifeline Certification

N2014.1.3 – PSC Initiated – 2014 Renewable Portfolio Standard Compliance Reporting

N2014.1.4 – Project Telephone Company Inc. - Revisions and Additions to Exchange and Network Services Tariffs